

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An image formation apparatus has developing agent charging means situated downstream in the direction of motion of a photosensitive drum from a transfer roller and upstream from a charging roller, for charging residual developing agent remaining on the photosensitive drum. Applying AC voltage to the charging roller is started before a portion on the face of the photosensitive drum where application of voltage to the developing agent charging means has started reaches a position of coming into contact with the charging roller, and applying AC voltage to the charging means is ended after the portion on the face of the photosensitive drum where application of voltage to the developing agent charging means has ended reaches a position of coming into contact with the charging roller. This configuration prevents adhesion of developing agent to the photosensitive drum and charging roller, avoids resultant substandard images, and provides high-quality images for prolonged periods.